UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF GEORGIA SAVANNAH DIVISION

| ARMANTE LELAND GOLDEN, |) | |
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| Plaintiff, |) | |
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| V. |) | CV424-161 |
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| LIBERTY COUNTY |) | |
| PUBLIC DEFENDER'S |) | |
| OFFICE, et al., |) | |
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| Defendants. |) | |

REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION

Pro se plaintiff Armante Leland Golden filed this case complaining that his constitutional rights were violated in the course of his arrest and prosecution in Liberty County, Georgia. See doc. 1 at 5. The Court granted him leave to proceed in forma pauperis and directed him to complete and return the necessary forms. See generally doc. 4. The deadline for him to return those forms has passed and he has not returned the forms. See generally docket. He has also failed to comply with the District Judge's Order concerning assignment of this case to a United States Magistrate Judge. See doc. 3. The Clerk notified him of

that failure, and he has not corrected it within the deadline set by the Clerk. *See* doc. 5.

This Court has the authority to prune cases from its docket where parties have failed to comply with its Orders. See S.D. Ga. L.R. 41.1(b); see also Link v. Wabash R.R. Co., 370 U.S. 626, 630–31 (1962) (courts have the inherent authority to dismiss claims for lack of prosecution); Mingo v. Sugar Cane Growers Co-op, 864 F.2d 101, 102 (11th Cir. 1989) ("The district court possesses the inherent power to police its docket."); Jones v. Graham, 709 F.2d 1457, 1458 (11th Cir. 1983); Floyd v. United States, CV491-277 (S.D. Ga. June 10, 1992). Golden's failure to comply with the Court's Orders provides a sufficient reason to dismiss his Complaint.

Accordingly, Golden's Complaint should be **DISMISSED**. See, e.g., Fed. R. Civ. P. 41(b). This Report and Recommendation (R&R) is submitted to the district judge assigned to this action, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1)(B) and this Court's Local Rule 72.3. Within 14 days of service, any party may file written objections to this R&R with the Court and serve a copy on all parties. The document should be captioned "Objections to Magistrate Judge's Report and Recommendations." Any

request for additional time to file objections should be filed with the Clerk for consideration by the assigned district judge.

After the objections period has ended, the Clerk shall submit this R&R together with any objections to the assigned district judge. The district judge will review the magistrate judge's findings and recommendations pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1)(C). The parties are advised that failure to timely file objections will result in the waiver of rights on appeal. 11th Cir. R. 3-1; see Symonette v. V.A. Leasing Corp., 648 F. App'x 787, 790 (11th Cir. 2016); Mitchell v. United States, 612 F. App'x 542, 545 (11th Cir. 2015).

SO REPORTED AND RECOMMENDED, this 9th day of September, 2024.

CHRISTOPHER L. RAY

UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF GEORGIA